

wherein said small-sized light source unit is constructed and arranged to be removably connected with said light guide joint section.

49. (Amended) A TV observation system for an endoscope comprising:

an endoscope;

a small-sized light source unit; and

an attachment TV camera,

wherein said endoscope is structurally separated into an insertion part and a proximal holding part continuously extending from said insertion part,

wherein said endoscope comprises a light guide arranged from a distal end of said insertion part through said proximal holding part,

wherein said proximal holding part is provided with a light guide joint section where an entrance end face of said light guide is fixed,

wherein said proximal holding part is provided with an eyepiece section, said attachment TV camera is constructed and arranged to removably mount on the eyepiece section,

wherein said small-sized light source unit comprises at least two of a shortened light guide cable, a plurality of LEDs, a compounding optical system configured to compound light emitted by said plurality of LEDs and a power supply, and

wherein said small-sized light source unit is constructed and arranged to be removably connected with said attachment TV camera.

Please enter the following new claims:

50. (New) A TV observation system for an endoscope according to claim 48, wherein the plurality of LEDs are small-sized LEDs.

51. (New) A TV observation system for an endoscope according to claim 48, wherein the power supply is a battery.

52. (New) A TV observation system for an endoscope according to claim 49, wherein the plurality of LEDs are small-sized LEDs.

53. (New) A TV observation system for an endoscope according to claim 49,
wherein the power supply is a battery.

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